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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yoshihiro Satoh

Serial No.: 10/642,667

Group Art Unit: 2822

Filed: August 19, 2003

Examiner: Christy L. Novacek

For: METHOD FOR FABRICATING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING A  
TAPERED-MESA SIDE-WALL FILM

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

**EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	<u>AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	<u>PREV. PAID FOR</u>	<u>EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>FEE DUE</u>
Total Claims	29	20	= 9	x \$ 50.00	\$ 450.00
Indep. Claims	3	3	= 0	x \$ 200.00	\$ -

**TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT**

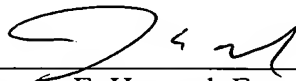
**\$ 450.00**

A check in the amount of \$450.00 is submitted herewith to cover the excess claim fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Claims 1-29 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1-10 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claims 11-29 are added. Claims 1, 6, and 11 are independent.